OLD FURNACE WILDLIFE AREA

(1,991 ACRES)

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Persons may hunt on the Old Furnace Wildlife Area only as directed by the following rules, which have been established by Regulation 25 of the Division of Fish and Wildlife, pursuant to Section 103, 7 Delaware Code. **Violators of wildlife area regulations may be subject to fines and/or revocation of their hunting privilege on state wildlife areas for up to one year.**

NEW IN 2008 – Area open for special October antlerless firearms seasons, and handgun hunting. New parking lots were added along Fleetwood Pond and Old Furnace Roads.

A. HUNTING. No special permits required, except to hunt wild turkey. Turkey hunters must obtain a permit for Old Furnace Wildlife Area through a state lottery. Properly licensed hunters, including falconers, may hunt during any open season.

B. DEER HUNTING - Existing deer stands may be used on a first-come, first-served basis. No new permanent stands are allowed and all parts of a portable stand must be removed at the end of each hunting day. No screw-in tree steps or stands may be used because they cause damage to the tree. **Deer drives permitted from 9:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M. by residents only.** Nonresidents may not participate in deer drives. Handgun hunting is permitted on this area.

C. UPLAND GAME HUNTING - Small game hunting closed during the December and January firearm deer seasons. No fox hunting allowed during any deer firearms season. Fox chasing prohibited until 1 p.m. during the turkey season. Raccoon hunting is permitted from September 1 – March 31 during legal raccoon hunting seasons.

D. WATERFOWL HUNTING - No waterfowl hunting is permitted.

E. TRAPPING. No trapping except by valid contract holders. Trapping rights are awarded through competitive bids. Call 739-9912 for bidding information.

F. VEHICLES. No off-highway vehicles, either registered or unregistered, permitted. Motorized vehicles are only permitted on established and maintained roads.

G. FIREARMS. Firearms are prohibited on state wildlife areas from March 1 through August 31 of each year, except during legal hunting seasons and special events authorized by the Division in writing. Target shooting is prohibited. Please call Ommelanden Shooting Range for year-round target shooting information at 323-5333.

H. HOURS. Entry limited from sunrise to sunset except to lawfully hunt and fish.

I. TRESPASS. Old Logging roads have been closed to vehicular travel to improve the quality of the hunt, provide more edge for wildlife and reduce littering. These roads are open for pedestrian travel, but off limits to all vehicular travel and horse riding. Violators will be prosecuted for trespassing. Be certain to stay within the boundaries of state-owned land.

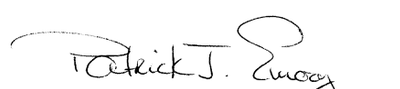
J. CAMPING, SWIMMING. No unauthorized camping or swimming.

K. HORSE RIDING. Horses may be used only on established roads open to vehicular traffic except for activities approved by the Division in writing.

L. DUMPING. Dumping is expressly prohibited. Violators will be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law.

PLEASE OBSERVE THE COURTESIES OF A GOOD SPORTSMAN
HAVE A SAFE AND ENJOYABLE OUTING

For further information, contact the Division of Fish and Wildlife, Dover, Delaware, 19901, (739-9912) or the Regional Office on the Assawoman Wildlife Area at (302) 539-3160.



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